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NO MONEY FOR JUDKINS TRIP

City Attorney Sustains Position of Alderman Gunst as to Illegality of Appropriation.

In an opinion rendered yesterday to Councilman John Hirschberg, City Attorney Pollard sustains the position taken by Alderman Marx Gunst on the floor of the Board of Aldermen a few nights ago, by holding it to be beyond the province of the City Council to appropriate \$30 to pay the expenses of L. McK. Judkins in attending a convention in Washington as an appointee of Mayor Richardson. The resolution has not yet been concurred in by the Common Council, and as the City Attorney says that it is plainly illegal, it would seem that Mr. Judkins, who has returned from the convention, will be left to bear his own expenses.

At the last meeting of the Board of Aldermen Mayor Richardson, in a special message, announced the meeting of the American Civic Association in Washington, and his appointment of Mr. Judkins, an active member of the Civic Improvement League, as a delegate from this city. The Mayor suggested that \$25 be appropriated for his expenses. In the Board a resolution to that effect was amended to \$50. Mr. Gunst protested that it was setting a dangerous precedent in making appropriations of city funds to pay for trips to conventions for others than city Councilmen and city department heads, even the legality of those appropriations having been questioned in the past. "If his letter to Mr. Hirschberg, secured with a view of guiding the action of the lower branch when the appropriation comes up for concurrence," Mr. Pollard says.

"Replying to your favor of the 15th, in which you ask my opinion as to the legality of the proposed appropriation of \$50 to defray the expenses of the Mayor's appointee as a delegate from the city of Richmond to attend a convention of Civic Improvement Leagues, now being held in Washington, D. C., I beg to say that in my opinion under the rule laid down in the case of the city of Winchester against Richmond, ninety-third Virginia Reports, page 711, and other kindred cases, the Council of the city or Richmond has no right to make such an appropriation, and it is therefore illegal."

FRAUD LOSS FALLS ON GOVERNMENT

Can't Recover on Pension Money Which Bank Paid in Good Faith.

After concluding all arguments which will be heard at this term of the United States Circuit Court of Appeals yesterday, Judge Rose handed down an opinion affirming the decision of the Circuit Court of Greensboro, N. C., wherein it was held that the government could not recover money from the Bank of North Wilkesboro, paid on forged pension checks.

This case was argued here one week ago, and it was proved conclusively that Mary M. Webster had represented herself to the Pension Department as Mary M. Webster, and entitled to enlistment upon the rolls. She was paid money aggregating more than \$700, and signed each of the checks with the name of Mary M. Webster, and the bank, which will be called at this term, Cause was argued by Frederick M. Brown and A. Leonard Brougham, of New York, for the appellant, and by George M. Myster, of Baltimore, for the appellee, and submitted.

Court will adjourn for the holidays some time this week, and in the meantime the judges present will hold conference on cases heretofore argued. Judge Henry C. McDowell left yesterday for his home in Lynchburg, while Judge James E. Boyd, of Greensboro, arrived here Sunday, and will be in attendance for the remaining days of the session.

DESTROY RABIES BY LEGISLATION

Dr. Ferguson Advocates Adoption of Police Power Over Dogs.

FIFTY CASES TREATED HERE

Marvels That Civilized State Permits Existence of Hydrophobia.

Why the State of Virginia, or any other State, for that matter, permits hydrophobia to exist, taking an occasional life, causing loss of stock, entailing expenses for treatment on individuals and on the public purse, and filling communities with fear and horror, is a standing enigma to Dr. Meade Ferguson, bacteriologist of the State Health Department. The time has come, he says, when the Legislature should take a hand in the elimination of rabies from the Commonwealth.

"By the adoption of methods which have been tried and proven in other countries," said Dr. Ferguson yesterday, "rabies can be wiped off the map. It is my hope to start a campaign which will result in adequate legislation at the next session of the General Assembly."

Control of Dogs.
"My plan is simply police power over dogs. It was tried in England a decade ago, and today there is no hydrophobia from London to the Cape of Good Hope. It has been practiced in Norway and Sweden and in Denmark."

Dr. Ferguson's plan is to have every dog in the State licensed. The license number would appear on the collar, together with the name of the owner. Any dog found without a collar would be killed without notice and without delay.

Then the owner of the dog would be held responsible in damages for any loss caused by his actions. The name could be ascertained from the collar. If the dog bites another animal, the owner must pay. If it bites a child or an adult, whether it has hydrophobia or not, the proprietor should be held responsible.

"If any person wants to keep a dog," says Dr. Ferguson, "he should be willing to stand for the damages done by the animal. He has no right to injure the public for his own pleasure."

Disease Would Die.
Then, in addition, he would have every dog in every city muzzled permanently. Deprived of the power to bite other dogs, those infected with rabies would be unable to continue the spread of the disease. In a year there would be no hydrophobia in Virginia.

Dr. Ferguson realizes the impracticability of requiring dogs to be muzzled in country districts. But all of these would be licensed, and some one would be responsible for them. Hunted parties of dogs in from other States might be required to get licenses, or else there might be a modification of the law so long as the animal is under immediate supervision of its owner.

While skunks and coyotes are in rare instances responsible for the spread of rabies, the great cause of contamination is through dogs almost entirely.

Fifty Cases Here.
About fifty cases of persons bitten by rabid dogs have been treated during the year 1910 by the State Health Department. The cost to nearly all these individuals of coming to Richmond for paying board here has naturally been great. One death close to Richmond has resulted. "And yet," said Dr. Ferguson, "a civilized State, permitting dogs to run at large to spread disease and death and terror at will, is a disgrace."

"Only a few days ago," he continued, "a bulldog on the streets of Richmond, without warning, sprang at me and fastened his teeth in my sleeve. A child and a woman in the neighborhood probably have been torn to pieces. Such animals should not be allowed to roam about without muzzles."

"All the dogs in the State are not worth the one life that has been sacrificed."

OWENS DEFEATS OSCAR PARRISH

South Richmond Man Elected Member of the City School Board.

WON OUT ON FIRST BALLOT

Joint Session Declines to Fill Other Vacancies on Short Notice.

W. H. Owens, formerly a member of the City School Board of the city of Manchester, was elected a member of the Richmond School Board at a joint session of the City Council last night on the first ballot. His opponent was Oscar E. Parrish, of Marshall Ward, who received strong support, almost running neck and neck in the Board of Aldermen, but failing behind in the lower branch.

In nominating Mr. Owens, Mr. Jones, of South Richmond, called attention to the redistricting of the city in accordance with the annexation act, and claimed that the plain intent of that act, if not its specific wording, was that South Richmond should have representation on the School Board.

Mr. Adams nominated Mr. Parrish, stating that the annexation agreement did not require a representative from that ward—in fact, the three representatives from the first district might live in the same house. Mr. Beade seconded Mr. Parrish, and Mr. Moore seconded Mr. Owens, but the day was won by a humorous speech from Mr. Blake, who held that as a matter of policy and for "peace in the family," Washington Ward should have a man on the board—one out of nine trustees.

In the course of his speech Mr. Blake was quite eloquent over the wonderful impetus given to the whole city by the annexation, and in his tribute to the men who had fought for that annexation against odds, his remarks met with prolonged applause.

Before the roll call had been finished it was seen who had won, and many changed their votes to the winning candidate, and Mr. Owens was declared duly elected.

Didn't Act on Others.
Mr. Gunst asked a suspension of the rules to take up the resignation of Messrs. E. D. Starke and A. B. Clarke from the School Board. Both of these resignations were presented to City Clerk Ben T. August yesterday, but the call for last night's meeting only included the election of one trustee from the First District. Mr. Lynch opposed suspension of the rules, on the ground that no notice had been given; that members of the Council should know weeks in advance who the nominees for such positions were, and be prepared to vote intelligently. He wanted to know why members had come to the meeting "with resignations in their pockets," and "attempted to take snap judgment on the Council."

Mr. Gunst stated that it had long been known that both Mr. Clarke and Mr. Starke would soon resign, and that most of the members knew that the two candidates of the delegation from the third school district were John Bagby, formerly a member of the School Board from the first district, who had recently moved into the West End, and W. J. Kimbrough.

In the midst of the discussion, Alderman Powers moved to adjourn, and the motion was adopted, neither of the resignations having been accepted.

MILITARY NEEDS MORE EFFICIENCY

General Sale, in Annual Report, Favors Quality Above Quantity.

SERVICE IS IMPROVING

Makes Recommendations and Submits Statement of Operations.

Taking the stand that a higher grade of efficiency and a fuller equipment of the existing force of the Virginia Volunteers are more to be desired than increased numbers, Adjutant-General W. W. Sale, in his annual report, which was presented to the Governor yesterday, recommends that great caution should be exercised in encouraging the formation of new commands. In many respects, the report shows, the Adjutant-General finds that there are deficiencies which should be speedily corrected, in the interest of a higher grade of service in the military establishment of the State.

This recommendation does not, however, apply to the formation of a field hospital corps and a signal company, for which he sees immediate need.

Other recommendations made by the Adjutant-General have already been to some extent adopted as the result of the recent conference of heads of departments. One of these is that service medals be given to officers and men for faithful service. Another is that an inventory inspection of all military property be taken at least once a year.

Equip Unit Range.
General Sale urges that the State rifle range and camp be equipped in time for an encampment during next summer. He also recommends that a suitable arsenal and storehouse be provided, and that more room be acquired for the uses of his office.

Further, he believes an allowance should be made for the purchase of uniforms for officers. This will be of great interest to all commissioned officers, who are now required to pay for their uniforms from their own funds.

Camps of instruction should, by all means, be continued and extended in their operation, if possible, so as to include noncommissioned officers. Finally, he asks that a judge advocate-general's department be organized. The present system requires the assignment of local officers to act as judge advocates and recorders at courts-martial and courts of inquiry, and because of the scarcity of legal talent, frequently the same officer must give his time repeatedly.

Increased Number.
The rolls of the Virginia Volunteers contain the names of 2,237 officers and men, an increase of 51 over the previous year. During the year there were 753 discharges, of which the terms of 321 men had expired, 205 had removed from their home stations, 37 were discharged without honor and for the good of the service, 11 joined the United States army, and 52 left for business reasons.

There were 22 desertions. Five deaths occurred—1 officer and 4 enlisted men. Retirements numbered 14—3 majors, 2 captains, 2 first lieutenants, 2 second lieutenants and 4 enlisted men. There were 21 resignations—4 majors, 4 captains, 10 first lieutenants and 2 second lieutenants.

A total of \$69,959.31 worth of military supplies was issued, having been received from the Government.

New Commands.
No company was disbanded during the year, while the Fourth Company of Coast Artillery and the paymaster-general's department were organized. Further, the Coast Artillery Corps was formed.

The formation of a pay department has, says General Sale, been of great assistance to his office.

He is much pleased with the facilities afforded for increase of equipment, and marked improvement in the service generally, but calls attention to the need existing in many directions. More tents are necessary, and in a majority of the companies there are more men than rifles. Revolvers will be issued to certain men during the coming year.

A sufficient quantity of medical supplies and surgical outfits are now on hand, excepting for a field hospital, while the signal and engineer equipment is as good as the need and the existing facilities demand. Instruction books are needed.

No calls for aid to the civil authorities were made during the year, but the commands are ready for service at any time.

Need More Armories.
Armories present a serious problem. Only six or seven commands are suitably housed. Each company has an average of \$5,000 worth of equipment, which should be properly cared for. Efforts will be made to secure co-operation in this regard from local communities.

The Gettysburg maneuvers, thinks General Sale, were of great benefit. However, the transportation facilities come in for criticism, which is earnestly repeated and emphasized by all the department commanders in their individual reports, which are appended.

Among the latter reports is that of Assistant Inspector-General J. Lane Stern. Colonel Stern, in his detailed comment, praises the spirit among the officers and men of the Richmond Blues, while suggesting that the company rooms at the new armory are entirely too small, and comments on the fact that the rifles are left uncovered in the hall, and are consequently exposed to dust.

With the Artillery.
The Howitzers are given much praise, the officers, it is said, being particularly well equipped, while the esprit de corps among the men is high. However, the warmest commendation in the entire report is given by Major T. M. Wortham, who assisted in the inspection, to the Norfolk Light Artillery Blues, which he says, "is decidedly the best-looking military organization I have seen in years."

Colonel C. A. Dempsey, United States Army, retired, as inspector of small arms practice, calls attention to the great need for local ranges. He commends Captain H. L. Oble for his good work in target practice at Staunton, and mentions that Captain C. M. Wallace sent in the only report on pistol practice.

Colonel W. J. Perry, of the First Regiment, mentions the Thomas Carroll incident at a shooting range, expressing the surprise of the Virginians when the negro was tried before a court which had no jurisdiction over the offense of threatening an officer.

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SAY ARMSTRONG ROBBED WOMAN

Man Under Arrest in Washington May Be Brought Here to Stand Trial.

From an accurate description furnished them by Detective Sergeants Wiley and Kellum, Hortense Blair and May Howard of the eastern section of the city, last night positively identified Alton A. Armstrong, now under arrest in Washington, D. C., as the man who, a few months ago, bound and gagged the latter woman in her room and robbed her of more than \$10.

Both women are certain that Armstrong, for whom the police have been looking ever since the robbery occurred, is the man wanted. So positive is May Howard that Armstrong is her assailant that she will be taken to Washington Wednesday morning by Detective Wiley to face the prisoner with her accusation. In case of acquittal in Washington, the Richmond authorities will ask that Armstrong be turned over to them, so that he may be brought to trial here.

With Benjamin H. Knott, James B. Knott, Florence Knott, alleged wife of the latter, Armstrong was arrested in Washington last week on a charge of robbing Harry Rosenthal, a merchant of that city.

Armstrong is reported to have lived in Richmond a year or more ago.

The police are led to believe that the Knott woman has a past which she is very desirous of keeping secret, as she bears several aliases. Her names are the Flossie Mills, Thelma Stuart and Flossie Bennett.

Captain McMahon's suspicions that Armstrong is the man wanted here were first aroused by a newspaper clipping telling of the arrest in Washington of the quartet. He got a description of the man from Washington, and inquiry resulted in the identification, and, if possible, Armstrong will be brought to Richmond for trial.

BEST DRILLED MAN IS MADE OFFICER

Private Harrison Wins Medal and Is Elected Lieutenant Same Night.

To win a competitive drill for a medal and to be elected an officer in the same night rarely falls to the lot of a soldier. Yet it was the fortune last night of Samuel J. Harrison, of Company C, First Virginia Infantry.

Mr. Harrison was a former second lieutenant in the "Guard of the Commonwealth." Last spring he resigned, because his occupation compelled his removal from Richmond. He recently returned to the city, securing employment, and his love for his old company caused him to re-enlist as a private.

Last night the annual drill for the company medal took place. The eliminative process is followed, each man making a mistake dropping out of line. Private Harrison proved to be the best drilled man, and was given the medal.

Then the election was held for second lieutenant. Private Harrison was nominated for his old position, and was unanimously elected to succeed himself.

This election has been postponed from time to time by Captain Charles M. Wallace, who is much pleased with the satisfactory outcome of the contest, which at times has been spirited between two rival candidates.

TRIAL POSTPONED

Illness of Material Witness Causes Delay in Damage Suit Hearing.

Trial of the suit of F. H. Rahn & Son against the Imperial Furniture Manufacturing Company, which was begun yesterday in the Law and Equity Court, was postponed to the next term, when it was stated to the court that the secretary of the defendant company, a material witness, was ill and could not appear. There will be no jury case today, but the jury will reconvene on Wednesday. After the holidays the court will have a busy term, with some cases set for hearing almost every day in January.

POLICE COURT CASES

William Cowmes, Colored, Fined for Violence Toward Women and Officer.
William Cowmes, colored, who broke into the homes of Lucy Cousins and Anna Bradshaw, colored, in the rear of 205 East Main Street, Sunday night, and resisted Bicycle Officer Thurman when the latter placed him under arrest, was fined \$25 in Police Court yesterday morning.

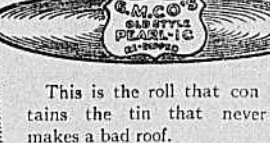
John Mosby, colored, charged with assaulting Robert Mosby, was sent on to the grand jury.

Limos Haskins, colored, who sold a pint of vinegar for a bottle of whiskey to Samuel Blanga and then attached a dollar bill from his hands, was sent to jail for four months.

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REVENUE FOLK SEIZE PLANT

Technical Charges Against Broad Rock Distilling Company Led to Raid.

What is said to be the first of a series to be conducted not only in this district, but throughout the country, by the United States internal revenue department was the seizure yesterday noon of the plant of Broad Rock Distilling Company, Incorporated, in Chesterfield county, by Division Deputy Louis Youngblood, of Petersburg. He was accompanied by Colonel W. H. Chapman, revenue agent here, and Chief Deputy Thomas F. Meaney, of Collector M. K. Lowry's office.

The charges against the distillery, which is not far from the limits of South Richmond, are technical, and said to embrace many points in the regulations of the revenue department which have been violated. It is alleged, not only by the seizure taken yesterday, but others in this district and elsewhere.

Collector Lowry and Commissioner Cabell, it is understood, have for some time been planning to swoop down upon these alleged violators. District Attorney L. L. Lewis has been consulted in the matter, and much evidence against distillers is said to be in hand.

Just what charges are held against the Broad Rock Company are not known, and inquiry has been made of Collector Lowry brought forth little information. Further developments in the case are looked for, as well as other seizures.

L. Summerson, president of the company, was given permission to run off the beer in the course of fermentation, and this will require about two days, when all operations of the plant must cease pending a settlement of the case in the District Court.

It is probable that the concern will make application to Judge John Waddill, Jr., to release the distillery under bond, that it may resume operations pending an adjustment of the matter. This is done in cases where cattle, fifty or more, are dependent upon the distillery for food. A large number of swine, it is said, owned by nearby farmers, have been fed from the waste of the Broad Rock plant.

MAIL HELD FOR MORE POSTAGE

Many Outgoing Packages Must Wait Until Fee Has Been Paid.

Hundreds of packages are now being held at the Richmond post-office for first-class postage, because they were consigned to the mails as fourth-class matter, but sealed with Red Cross stamps or some of the many Christmas labels.

Postmaster Edgar Allan, Jr., said yesterday that all of this matter will be held here until the additional postage is forthcoming. Persons to whom the articles are addressed will be notified that they are held in Richmond for lack of postage and will be forwarded upon receipt of the required amount. This necessitates numerous delays, and especially at this season when it is difficult to locate the persons desired, because they accumulate rapidly.

"Time and again we have called the attention of the public to the postal regulations forbidding the use of any seals on other than first-class matter," said Postmaster Allan yesterday. "Apparently little heed has been given the caution, judging by the flood of tightly sealed packages which we are now holding."

It is permissible to use the Red Cross stamps and holiday stickers, which of late years have become unusually popular, as long as they do not hold the strings which bind the packages or secure the contents.

There was a noticeable increase of the already big rush at the post-office yesterday. The registry division is especially busy, and the heads of departments are already besieging Postmaster Allan for more men than those already assigned to handle the heavy Christmas mails.

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